

AN IMPORTANT CASE

Patent Cured of Ataxia Gives the Entire Credit to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Mrs. S. C. Wellock, of 114 Cleveland Avenue, Everett, Mass., the wife of an employee in the government works at Chelsea, says:

"I had been troubled with nervousness for ten years and the disease kept growing on me. Then I learned that I was suffering from locomotor ataxia. I had terrible tremblings in my right leg which would get rigid and when this happened in the street I had to stand still until it passed away to keep from falling. My right arm felt as if a thousand needles were pricking it. The sheet touching my knees made me nearly insane. I had to scream out with pain and both knees were so weak I could hardly stand."

"I had to use a cane and be helped about by my son. Then the pain began to settle in the calves of my legs and the muscles became numb and quivered constantly. The cords under my knees seemed to be drawn up tight and the terrible shooting pains in my legs would nearly drive me insane. My toes became numb and at times would prickle as if needles were being thrust into them. My eyes became dull and black spots floated before them. My heart was very weak."

"My attention was called to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I bought several boxes right away and soon after taking them until they cured me entirely and I have had no symptoms of the trouble for over a year."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists or sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents and box, six boxes \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medical Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

A booklet, entitled "Nervous Disorders," sent free on request.

None of That for Him.

"Right here," said the architect, who was showing him the plans for an ornamental fountain, "would be a good place to put on a garb of a fish."

"That would do for the house," said Mr. Goodwell, with decision, "but for an out-of-door fish I prefer mutton."

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is often permanent.

Derivation of Frenchmen.

Unmistakably Frenchmen have the most delicate way of expressing themselves," said a New York young woman to a group of friends at tea. "I have just had the oddest little encounter with a man who looked as if he had just arrived here. His clothes were so unmistakably Parisian. I was walking in Broadway when I saw him coming. To my surprise, as he was a stranger to me, he stopped, put his hands together and, taking off his hat, made a low bow. 'Pardieu, mademoiselle,' said he, 'your beautiful dress—deceitful! Making again the same elaborate bow, he passed on. I looked down and saw that my silk petticoat was showing just a little below the outside skirt. Had an American man noticed it, he would have felt embarrassed about mentioning it; or, if he had the courage, he never would have been able to think of such a delicate way of making that bit of a misfit known to me."

New York Press.

Secretary of War Taft in his report on the Philippines asks Congress to support an agricultural bank for financing the Philippine government to guarantee a dividend of 4 per cent on \$10,000,000, this being the plan which proved so successful under Lord Cromer in Egypt. He says the business conditions in the islands, especially in the sugar and tobacco industries, continue, and that the storm of last year destroyed \$4,000,000 worth of the hemp crop. Work is proceeding on a system of water supply for Manila and on the power system. The complete pacification of the island of Luzon is reported with the capture and surrender of the Idrone leaders, the only disorder now being in Leyte and Samar.

The House adopted a resolution introduced by Miller of Kansas, directing the bureau of corporations to investigate the causes of the high price of lumber, and particularly whether this is due to the existence of a combination in the form of a trust or otherwise. The House also called upon the Secretary of the Interior to give an account of all public lands withdrawn or reserved from entry.

In a recent report of the bureau of navigation it is shown that 93 per cent of the enlisted men in the navy are native-born Americans, and that during the year forty-three per cent of the men qualified for re-enlistment did re-enlist. It is highly desirable that the man behind the gun be a man of experience, and it is best that the man who may be called upon to fight should be born under the flag that floats above his ship.

Although more than two hundred thousand applications for pensions were received during the past year, Commissioner Warden reduced the expense of the Pension Office by about \$200,000. At the same time the number of pending claims were largely reduced.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has completed plans for the most comprehensive and far-reaching investigation of railroad management that has ever been undertaken, beginning with the new year.

Some of the postal improvements advocated in Cortelyou's annual report are the purchase, post, postal savings bank, postal telegraph and telephone, abolition of railway speed subsidies, additional subsidies to South American and Australian steamers, low-rate postal notes and the creation of a new office, that of deputy postmaster general, with permanent tenure, who would act as a sort of business manager for the entire service, besides certain reforms in salaries and accounts. The Postmaster General takes the high ground that postmasters should not be appointed as rewards for political activity. As to the deficit, he says he is less concerned about that than about efficiency of administration and thinks it unreasonable to charge any one branch of the service with responsibility for the deficit.

A plan for holding and developing coal lands in the Indian Territory belonging to the government has been made public by Secretary Hitchcock. A large corporation is to be formed, in which the Indian tribes and the government are to control the stock, the mines to be operated by employees or leased on a royalty. It will be the first time in our history that the government becomes a stockholder in a private corporation. The life of the company is to be twenty-five years, with option of continuance of sale at the end of that period. The directors to be the President of the United States, Secretary of the Interior, Treasury and Commerce and Labor, Commissioner of Indian Affairs and a member of each of the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes.

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WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Evidence of the use of the general public is making of the great Library of Congress is to be found in the record of visitors to the building during the last fiscal year. The visitors—numbered about \$12,000. This was a daily average of 2,431 in the 302 days on which the library was open to the public. The only days on which the great bronze doors were closed throughout the twenty-four hours were July 5, the funeral day of John Hay, July 6, and Christmas. Almost a double force is required for the building, which is open virtually every day and evening the year around. The largest number of visitors in any one day was 5,234, in April, and the smallest 444, on one of the hottest days in July. An idea of the size of this library may be obtained from the statistics for last year, which showed a gain in the number of volumes of 84,026, bringing the number of books on the racks up to 1,370,244. This total of books, pamphlets, maps and charts and pieces of music added last year was \$1,385.

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PULSE OF THE PRESS

Fear of a Japanese-American war pervades all the nations except America and Japan.—New York Mail.

The names of the new Spanish Cabinet are familiar to those who buy the two-for-a-quarter brands.—Washington Times.

If men spent half as much money on philanthropy as they do on politics, there would be a pretty nice world.—New York Tribune.

What's the matter with Kansas? This time it is that the ears of corn are too long to go into the sheafers.—New York Tribune.

President Roosevelt said that if the simplified spelling did not prove acceptable he would abandon it. Well?—Chicago Tribune.

When there is an appetite there is a way. In prohibition Kansas—it is said, they sell beer in plugs, like tobacco.—New York Tribune.

It's astonishing what a lot of money a man could have made if he had tried to look instead of relying on judgment.—New York Press.

They are arresting Councilmen in Pittsburgh for bribery. Well, if that's going to spread what a time there will be.—Philadelphia Press.

Eight McCarthys ran for office in Boston, but only three were elected. The Hub should create more offices at once!—New York Herald.

There is no question of race suicide with the head of the Mormon Church, with his live wives and forty-five children.—Philadelphia Record.

Marie Corelli is convinced that modern woman is not ready for the suffrage. Certainly not. If she was she'd have it.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

If the President uses the big stick on the farmer trust he may make it abandon its "say nothing, but saw wood" policy.—New York Herald.

The woman who boldly declares that she will find the North Pole is well aware that there isn't a house in the Arctic Circle.—Philadelphia Ledger.

It is easy enough to become famous. All you have to do is leave a rock at marriage, the family or the Ten Commandments.—New York Evening Sun.

The name of the new postmaster of Honolulu is Kapohakimohua. It means everything but those fish grab all the political plums.—New York Herald.

So rapid is the march of prosperity in the States of Washington and Nevada that the supply of fuel is unable to keep up with it.—Philadelphia Record.

To spend \$200,000 a year on clothes is an accomplishment, but it does not compare with the accomplishment of spending only \$200 a year.—New York American.

It is beginning to be suspected they are manufacturing some of those high-women stories in Pittsburgh just to enable the town to show off. Philadelphia Press.

At any rate, President Roosevelt having seen it, we can at least feel assured that the Panama Zone has not been moved from its anchorage.—New York Press.

Justice doesn't travel on a criminal basis in Texas, where a criminal was arrested, tried, convicted and executed within the space of two hours.—New York Herald.

The undertakers at Butte have formed a combination and advanced the price of funerals. That is running the trust business into the ground.—Washington Times.

A couple of hundred French Deputies left the Chamber when Louis de Castellane came in. It would seem much simpler to put him out.—New York American.

Bonifacio Castellane says his "matrimonial entanglement" has lost him a single friend.—Of course, to lose anything one must first have had it.—New York American.

Andrew Dippel, the tenor, has been robbed of \$3,000 worth of jewels. With this and the Caruso episode the opera season may consider itself launched.—New York Mail.

Life seems to be made up of moving the lawn when there is no furnace to be stoked, and when there is no moving to be done of stoking the furnace.—New York Press.

President Roosevelt has nominated a manufacturer of tobacco sauce for Civil Service Commissioner. Going to make it hot for the spoolmen?—Philadelphia North American.

Secretary Bonaparte says that the annual cost of the navy represents only \$1.33 per capita. By that method of calculation a 28,000-word presidential message divided among 83,000,000 men, women and children looks like too short an allowance.—New York World.

It now transpires that Senator-elect Davis is not a Jeffersonian—but a Jefferson. Perhaps that accounts for his pugilistic proclivities, conversational as well as otherwise.—Washington Herald.

The war in Brooklyn over the exactions of the Beef Trust takes a queer form. The mob smashes the butcher's windows and then throws kerosene on his meat. You can't seem to bust one trust without bogging another.—New York World.

The Golden Blow

The blow which knocked out Corbett was a revelation to the prize fighters. From the earliest days of the ring the knock-out blow was aimed for the jaw, the temple or the jugular vein. Stomach punches were thrown in to worry and weary the fighter, but if a scientific man had told one of the old fighters that the most vulnerable spot was the region of the stomach, he'd have laughed at him for an ignoramus. Dr. Pierce is bringing hope to the public on a parallel fact, that the stomach is the most vulnerable organ out of the price ring as well as in it. We protect our heads, throats, feet and lungs, but the stomach is utterly indifferent to, until it is found out, and then it punishes us. Make your stomach sound and strong by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and you protect yourself in your most vulnerable spot. "Golden Medical Discovery" cures "weak stomach," indigestion, or dyspepsia, torpid liver, bad, thin and impure blood and other diseases of the organs of digestion and nutrition.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" has a specific curative effect upon all mucous surfaces and hence cures catarrh, no matter where located or what stage it is well to cleanse the passages with Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy while using "Golden Medical Discovery" as a constitutional remedy. Why the "Golden Medical Discovery" cures catarrhal diseases, as of the stomach, bowels, bladder and other mucous organs will be plain to you if you will read the book which is sent from the writings of eminent medical authorities, endorsing its ingredients and explaining their curative properties. It is mailed free on request. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Littleton, N. Y. This book contains all the ingredients entering into Dr. Pierce's medicines from which it will be seen that they contain not a drop of alcohol, pure, triple-refined glycerine being used instead. Dr. Pierce's great thousands of patients and Comm. Surgeon General, Adviser will be sent free, paper-bound, for 21 one-cent stamps, or cloth-bound for 31 stamps. Address Dr. Pierce as above.

Self-Evident.

Tommy—Now, what's a man of destiny? Mr. Tucker—Any man that lives in Kansas.

ALMOST A SOLID SORE.

Skin Disease from Birth—Porcine Agent on the West Coast. Bland—The doctor cured her with Cuticura.

"I have a cousin in Buckingham County, who once had a skin disease from her birth until she was six years of age. Her father had spent a fortune on her to get her cured and none of the treatments did her any good."

Old Dr. T. suggested that he try the Cuticura Remedies, which he did. When he commenced to use it the child was almost a solid sore. He had used it about two months and the child was well. I was there when they commenced to use your Cuticura Remedies. I stayed that week and then returned home and stayed two weeks, and then went back and stayed with them two weeks longer, and when I went home I could hardly believe she was the same child. Her skin was as soft as a baby's without a scar on it. I have not seen her in seventeen years, but I have heard from her and the last time I heard from her she was well. Mrs. W. P. Pingle, Burlington, N. C., June 19, 1908.

In Trouble Again.

Mr. Makinbrakes, who had been urged to stay for luncheon, was trying to make a graceful getaway.

"Awfully sorry," he said, "and ever so much obliged, but I can't think of anything to say. I'm afraid I've got to go. I'm afraid I've got to go. I'm afraid I've got to go."

With an Eye to the Future.

Sheridan was about to start on his twenty-mile ride to Winchester.

Of course, he said, but that would knock the poem into the middle of the next year's calendar.

Thinking just long enough to permit the young man with the camera to take a snapshot of him, he dashed the camera into his street and was off like an arrow.

A Case for Delicate Treatment.

"What do these ladies want?" asked the proprietor.

"They say they want to look at some of our 'waxes,'" said the salesman.

"Then what are you trying to sell them of these 90-cent flower pots for?"

Folks like that are away up in G. Here, I'll wait on 'em myself."

NEVER TIRES

Of the Food that Restored Her to Health.

"My food was helping me and I didn't know the cause," writes a Colo. young lady. "For two years I was thin and sickly, suffering from indigestion and inflammatory rheumatism."

"I had tried different kinds of diet, many things, and many of the remedies recommended, but got no better."

"Finally, about five years ago, mother suggested that I try Grape-Nuts, and I began at once, eating it with a little cream or milk. A change for the better came at once."

"To-day I am well and am gaining weight and strength all the time. I've gained 30 pounds in the last five weeks and do not suffer any more from indigestion and the rheumatism is all gone."

"I know it is to Grape-Nuts alone that I owe my restored health. I still eat the food twice a day and never tire of it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

The favor of Grape-Nuts is peculiar to itself. It is neutral, not too sweet and has an agreeable, healthful quality that never grows tiresome.

One of the sources of rheumatism is from overloading the system with acid material, the result of imperfect digestion and assimilation.

As soon as improper food is abandoned and Grape-Nuts is taken regularly, digestion is made strong, the organs do their work of building up good red blood cells and of carrying away the excess of disease-making material from the system.

The result is a certain and steady return to normal health and mental activity. "There's a reason." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in



THE PUBLIC EYE

Mohammed Ali Mirza, who has arrived at Teheran, and who, because of the protracted illness of Shah Muzaffar-ed-din, has assumed control of Persian state affairs, is the eldest son of the Shah, and is 32 years of age. He was proclaimed crown prince in 1894, and until recently was the governor of Azerbaijan, the military reserves and strength of which he has greatly increased. During the absence of the Shah from Persia, Mohammed Ali Mirza has acted as regent, and has made himself popular in the Persian capital. He is thoroughly familiar with Arabic literature, speaks French fluently, and is said to have a fair grasp of modern science. On his mother's side, he is the grandson of Mohammed Shah, who was the third occupant of the Persian throne under the present Kajar dynasty, which was inaugurated in 1794.

William Alfred Richards, commissioner of the general land office, who was accused by a Special Inspector of the Interior of having been guilty of peculating in the land frauds in the mining, Colorado and Utah, was appointed to his present position on Feb. 2, 1903. Previous to that time he had been assistant and commissary.

Lady Susan Townley, wife of a former member of the British embassy at Washington, whose influence at the British court is said to have caused the retirement of Sir Mortimer Durand as ambassador to Washington, is noted for her keen observation, as an English biographer.

Characteristics in their criticism of persons and things which instantly indicate their relationship to those who know them. Susan, who is a daughter of the late Lord Beaconsfield, and was Lady Susan Cecil until she married Mr. Townley in 1895.

In his latest London lecture on the "Masses and Classes," G. Bernard Shaw advised that any one talking on this subject should:

never assume that the masses have anything to do with the masses, and as a result, so the poorer the audience addressed, he said, it was always the other fellow who belonged to the masses. He said, further, that Socialism had opened the way to happy conditions, but that it was stopped by the weakness of the people's will, and the middle-classes deserved all they were suffering because of their ennoblement.

The Russian minister of education, M. Kauffmann, has submitted to the cabinet a plan for the reform of the primary educational system of Russia, which next to the agrarian reforms is recognized as the gravest problem confronting the Russian government. He recommends that the central government aid governors and private education in spreading elementary education, and that the allowances made to existing educational institutions be increased materially.

Dr. Carl Muck, the new director of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, is one of the foremost orchestral leaders in the world. He is the conductor at the Royal Opera, Berlin, and he comes to America by special permission of the Kaiser on a leave of absence of one year. The doctor is a native of Darmstadt and is now in his forty-seventh year. He was started by his parents in a mercantile career, but he developed such a passion for music that in 1880 he made his debut as a concert pianist. He developed a wonderful technique, but he soon took up the broader work of conducting and became famous as a leader.

George Hughes, the only son of Thomas Hughes, famous as the author of "Tom Brown of Oxford," is the owner of a large ranch in Kansas.

What is Pe-ru-na?

Is it a Catarrh Remedy, or a Tonic, or is it Both?

Some people call Peruna a great tonic. Others refer to Peruna as a great catarrh remedy. Which of these people are right? Is it more proper to call Peruna a catarrh remedy than to call it a tonic? Our reply is, that Peruna is both a tonic and a catarrh remedy. Indeed, there can be no effectual catarrh remedy that is not also a tonic.

In order to thoroughly relieve any case of catarrh, a remedy must not only have a specific action on the mucous membranes affected by the catarrh, but it must have a general tonic action on the nervous system. Catarrh, even in persons who are otherwise strong, is a weakened condition of some mucous membrane. There must be something to strengthen the circulation, to give tone to the arteries, and raise the vital forces.

Perhaps no vegetable remedy in the world has attracted so much attention, from medical writers as HYDRASTIS CANADENSIS. The wonderful efficacy of this herb has been recognized many years, and is growing in its hold upon the medical profession. When joined with CUBEBS and COPAIBA a trio of medical agents is formed in Peruna which constitutes a specific remedy for catarrh that in the present state of medical progress cannot be improved upon. This action reinforced by such renowned tonics as COLLINSORIA CANADENSIS, CORYDALIS FORMOSA and CEDRON SEED, ought to make this compound an ideal remedy for catarrh in all its stages and locations in the body.

From a theoretical standpoint, therefore, Peruna is beyond criticism. The use of Peruna, confirms this opinion. Numberless testimonials from every quarter of the earth furnish ample evidence that this judgment is not over enthusiastic. When practical experience confirms a well-grounded theory the result is a truth that cannot be shaken.

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The Governor recommends the establishment of a binder twine factory in the state prison, as least of all likely to come in competition with free labor in the state. It is certainly imperative that some work be found for convicts, in justice to the state as well as the convicts themselves.

The President knows, as a majority of the members of Congress know, and as the commercial and industrial interests of the country know, that to inaugurate a crusade of tariff ripping at the present time would be one of the most stupid blunders which it could be possible for a nation to commit. Des Moines Capital.

M. W. Cookson, postoffice inspector for the upper peninsula of Michigan, has had a great deal of trouble lately with violators of the postal regulations since the Michigan Journal. He has eight cases now in hand in which fines of \$20 must be paid for the act of sending correspondence through the mail, when the package only had third or fourth class postage thereon.

Desertions from the army and navy have become so numerous as to give the government much concern. There is but one way to stop it. Increase the pay of enlisted men, improve the character of their food and improve their conditions. So long as caste distinctions prevail, and contractors are permitted to furnish rotten food for the men and they are inadequately paid, it can not be expected they will refrain from deserting. The conditions all favor it. Bay City Tribune.

The forthcoming report of State Labor Commissioner McClellan will show that more than twenty-five thousand more persons were employed in Michigan factories during the year just closed than ever before, and that the daily average wages of Michigan's entire army of working people was greater per day than ever before. There are few states in the entire union in which the men and women who work for daily and weekly and monthly wages are more fortunate in their relations with their employers or more favored through conditions and remuneration than are the men and women of Michigan.

"Few persons realize," said Henry Carr, manager of the Saginaw Milling Co., "that Michigan raises more beans than all the other states of the Union combined. The central portion of this state has a vast and steadily increasing bean acreage. The crop averages about twenty bushels per acre, and this year the grower has netted \$1 a bushel. The principal bean grown here is the white navy bean although the red kidney variety is being grown extensively. These are the two great market beans here. The great bean markets of Michigan are Saginaw, Jackson and Lansing. It is interesting to know that Cuba is one of our largest patrons in beans. Our company has shipped sixty carloads of beans to Cuba during the past year, and our trade with that market promises to show a larger increase for 1907. Farmers who have tried beans find them a profitable crop, and the acreage is being increased each year."

While people and newspapers are crowing over the fact that the railroads have been brought to time by the Hepburn rate bill and other restrictions no tears being shed by railway officials, and there is foundation for the suspicion that railway officials themselves are at the bottom of the legislation referred to. Certain it is that instead of being injured the railroads are the beneficiaries in the Hepburn rate bill to the extent of hundreds of millions of dollars annually. They get rid of the rebate business, which they really were averse to but were compelled to engage in by competition and which they could not stamp out individually, and the abolition of the pass system will be a big revenue getting for the roads. Indeed, the government itself is in a hard in this direction, and there isn't a doubt but it will be compelled to pay several million dollars for transportation which it has heretofore enjoyed without charge. Under the law all government officers and employees must pay full fair and increased appropriations will be required to meet this added expense. An appropriation has already been asked of \$60,000 to cover cost of transportation for inspectors of the bureau of animal industry engaged in contagious disease work who have heretofore traveled free. Every employee or official of the government who travels in the government service will not be expected to pay his own fare but Uncle Sam will have to foot the bill. In the past army and navy officers have been granted special rates but this is now ended and there is agitation already for increased pay for those officials to make up the difference, special rates having been abolished. Thus the railroads will be greatly benefited. City Tribune.

30,000,000 STARVING TO DEATH.

Fearful Situation in Famine-Swept Provinces of Russia is Aggravated by Epidemic of Deadly Disease

The latest news from Russia indicates that from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 people are starving to death. Aggravating the famine, is a fearful epidemic.

Deadly typhus is raging in the stricken provinces. Those who have not died of want and exposure are being killed by disease.

Thousands upon thousands have been seized with the plague. The death list numbers thousands a day.

Conditions in the province of Samara are worse than anywhere else.

In this province, an authoritative estimate now places the dying at 3,000,000.

In the province of Kahan and in Simbursk and Ufa, it is hardly much better.

The winter crops are a failure in more than half a dozen provinces.

Thus all hope of ameliorating the condition of the families is at an end, so far as the people themselves are concerned.

The failure of the summer crops precipitated the famine.

Now the whole of eastern and southern Russia is practically denuded of food. The people are eating "famine bread."

This is a combination of chopped straw and other things.

The "famine bread" can hardly support life.

The peasants have grown desperate. Bloodshed and pillage threatened all the eastern provinces. The people, driven to the last level of desperation, clamor for work. If relief is not forthcoming, the peasants will sack the towns and villages.

To make matters worse, if that is possible, all kinds of graft is connected with what government relief is being provided.

The dearth of the starving peasants is aggravated by those getting the contracts.

The worst scandal in Russia promises to burst forth as a result of the measures of famine relief. Matters have come to such a pass that the government reluctantly has consented to an investigation.

The most heartrending appeals are being made in the people of western Russia by those who have been thru the famine-stricken district. It is declared that every \$5 will save a life, while 25 cents will keep a child alive for a fortnight.

Cuban Protectorate in Sight.

News reports from Cuba within the last few days have been full of interest. The most significant of which is to the effect that there is a movement among the substantial property classes of the island to bring about the establishment of a protectorate by the United States.

Two hundred native Cubans, all wealthy men living in Remedios, the richest district in Cuba, have signed a petition having this end in view, and another from Cienfuegos containing the names of several hundred leading plantation owners.

The agitation in favor of such a termination of the difficulties into which Cuba has been plunged is growing rapidly, and must be ascribed to the progress, evidently unsatisfactory, that is being made towards the restoration of a stable self-government.

It has now been three months since the proclamation taking over the temporary control of Cuba by this country was issued by Secretary Taft.

The purpose of this intervention was to bring about a termination between the two leading political parties, the Moderates and Liberals, of an old strife that had unsettled the country and threatened to plunge it into civil war.

The Moderates were in power and the intervention of the American government forced their president, Palma, to resign.

His selection, the Liberals claimed, had been accomplished by gross frauds and misuse of powers, these grievances being the alleged cause of the revolution inaugurated by the followers of the defeated candidate, Gen. Gomez, and which had assumed large proportions at the time of our occupation of Cuba.

It was the purpose of this government, as announced in the formal decree of intervention, to conduct the island's affairs only until such time as public order might be restored and peaceful elections held to determine the controversy as to which party really was in the majority and had the right to rule.

Information from the island during the past few weeks has not been reassuring as to the prospect for bringing about in the near future conditions that will permit of either holding elections or the withdrawal of American occupation. Insurgent bands have been active and there is considerable restlessness throughout the island among the irresponsible, explosive classes. It is beginning to appear to the men of large proprietary interests that Cuba cannot safely be turned over to its own politicians. Numerically the former are in the minority and they are afraid to trust the government in the hands of fighting, self-seeking natives. In their movement for a protectorate they will find strong co-operation among Americans with present and prospective investments in Cuba, well represented in congress. It may, therefore, be said that the probability of such a resolution of the problem is stronger today than ever before—even at the time when our intervention was considered a political pretense to conceal annexation schemes. Saginaw News.

Rifle Practice.

William E. Metzger, vice-president of the Detroit Rifle and Revolver club, has offered a handsome silver cup to be competed for by teams of ten men each from local organizations using the United States army magazine rifle. The trophy is to be known as the William E. Metzger challenge cup.

The organizations eligible to enter teams in the competition are the Detroit Rifle and Revolver club, both of which are associated with the National association, the First battalion, First Infantry, M. N. G., (Detroit Light Infantry), the Second battalion, First Infantry (Detroit Light Guard), and the Naval Brigade.

When the matches are held indoors the terms of the competition call for five shots per man in each of the three positions, standing, kneeling or sitting and prone. The regular military gallery targets will be used. When firing on out-door ranges, competitors will have five shots each at 200, 300 and 500 yards.

The Detroit and Wolverine clubs inaugurated the competition with a match at Dingfelder's gallery, 48 Monroe avenue, on New Year's day. Members of the committee in charge of the competition include the secretaries of the two civilian rifle clubs, and one officer from each of the military organizations eligible to compete.

The challenge was exhibited in Wright, Kay & Co's window on New Year's day. It is expected that Mr. Metzger's action in donating so handsome a prize will do much to boost the increasing interest in military rifle shooting in Detroit.

From Lieut. M. J. Phillips, Secy. Com. on Publicity, Michigan State Rifle Ass'n., Owosso, Mich.

High Cost of Carrying the Mails.

If the figures given out by the American Weekly Publishers' association are correct, Uncle Sam is "easy" and is in much need of a freight bureau or traffic agent.

The government according to these figures, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1906, paid the railroads \$32,000,000 more for carrying its mail matter than the express companies paid for an equal tonnage.

That is to say, the average rate of hauling one hundred pounds of mail between New York and forty-nine important commercial centers is \$8.41. The average rate paid to the railroads by the express companies for a similar service is \$2.43.

These figures alone explain the deficit in the postoffice department.

And it is easy to understand how a Chicago company of capitalists could make the offer to take over the department and run it without cost to the government. By putting the postoffice department on a business basis the Chicago syndicate would make a handsome profit.

For several years Assistant Postmaster General Madden has claimed that the annual deficit is caused by the low second-class postage rates—that on newspapers and periodicals.

Our Amazing Prosperity.

The fiscal year 1906, as shown in the annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury, brought into the treasury of the United States the largest customs receipts in the history of the government. From the payment made by foreign producers for the privilege of entering the American market with their competitive wares there was realized the unprecedented sum of \$309,257,877.

During the same period American industry producers marketed fully \$15,000,000,000 worth of the products of American labor.

Imports of more than a billion and a quarter dollars were easily absorbed by a nation growing fat with protection prosperity.

Twelve years ago when the country was staggering under the calamity of tariff revision downward, foreign producers could find in the United States a market for not more than two-thirds of the goods that they sent to us in 1906.

Eleven years ago the Free-Trade government was issuing bonds to defray government expenses, so great was the diminution of revenues.

Today a Tariff revised upward in the interest alike of revenue and of adequate protection is yielding customs receipts of more than \$300,000,000 a year, and instead of bond issues to meet deficits, the Treasury has a comfortable working surplus of \$78,000,000.

Is not this a condition to be glad of? Is it not a condition to be let alone? Is it a condition calling for Tariff reduction?

If we reduce the Tariff we shall reduce the revenues; that is, provided the imports remain at the present volume of \$1,276,000,000.

But if, through the reduction of Tariff duties the revenues remain unimpaired, or shall even be increased, we shall have to import much more than \$1,276,000,000, much more than some \$650,000,000 of dutiable and competitive articles.

To keep the revenues at their present stage, with Tariff rates reduced, would necessitate a much larger increase of dutiable and competitive imports.

For every 10 per cent. of Tariff reduction we should have to import 20 per cent more of competitive articles in order to keep the revenues at high-water mark.—American Economist.

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"I want to give some valuable advice to those who suffer with lame back and kidney trouble," says J. K. Blankenship, of Beck, Tenn. "I have proved to an absolute certainty that Electric Bitters will positively cure this distressing condition. The first bottle gave me great relief and after taking a few more bottles, I was completely cured; so completely that it becomes a pleasure to recommend this great remedy." Sold under guarantee at L. Poirier's drug store. Price 50c.

Makes Celluloid Fireproof.

M. Gervais, a French chemist, has patented a process for rendering the deadly celluloid hair brush and comb safe from explosion when it comes accidentally in contact with a gas flame by the discovery. According to a consulting report, this result is obtained by treating a celluloid mass in course of preparation just at the moment when it is most liquid, a certain quantity of salts—phosphates, bicarbonate of ammonia, or magnesia.—Celluloid, thus prepared, when touched by fire or a flame, gives out a gas that checks combustion. In fact, immersion of articles made of celluloid in solutions of any of these salts reduces its inflammability.

How to Cure Chillsains.

"To enjoy freedom from chillsains," writes John Kemp, East Otisfield, Me. "I apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Have also used it for salt rheum with excellent results." Guaranteed to cure fever sores, indolent ulcers, piles, burns, wounds, frost, bites and skin diseases. 25c at L. Poirier's drug store.

Swearing.

George Bernard Shaw argues that swearing is not a sin. Even on that excessively liberal theory, swearing is a nuisance that should be abated.

The Right Name.

Mr. August Sherpe the popular over-the-hill comedian, in a recent address, says: "Dr. King's New Life Pills are rightly named; they act more agreeably, do more good and make one feel better than any other laxative." Guaranteed to cure biliousness and constipation. 25c at L. Poirier's drug store.

Lovell's Locals

Edna Freeman made Hagott a visiting Mrs. E. Harrison.

Mrs. J. B. Westfall was calling on Mrs. George Gibson Wednesday.

Gustave Engel is delivering the wood for School district No. 2.

A petition was circulated last week and forwarded to W. D. Boyce, chairman of Press and Postage committee, praying for the reduction in postage of one-half on letters and publications. We are informed 99 signatures were obtained from here, Hurrah for penny postage!

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Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JAN. 10

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year in advance. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondence, etc., must reach by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

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Please look at the date after the address on this paper, and see if it is followed by a X. If so, your subscription is due, unless I have made a mistake in my book-keeping. If I have, please notify me at once. If I am right send me your dollar. It will not be much to you, but 800 of them will be a lot to me and will make my creditors happy. Do not put it off, but do it NOW.

China Ware at cost for the next 10 days at S. H. & Co.

See notice for annual tax sale in our supplement with this issue.

Go to C. J. Hathaway for scientific optical work. Eyes examined free.

M. Hanson made a flying business trip to Saginaw the last of the week.

Highest market price paid for hides. P. M. BROS.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Nels Larson, Jan. 3rd, a son.

Take advantage of Sorenson's New Year resolution.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. May died Sunday morning.

25 lbs. pails of International Stock Food \$3.00 at Fournier's Drug Store.

Fine watch repairing done at Hathaway's.

A. E. Michelson started for Monroe, La., yesterday in the lumber interests of the Co.

Cold Breakers will cure your cold try it. For sale at Fournier's Drug Store.

Judge Sharpe of West Branch was in the Village Friday and a welcome caller at our sanatorium.

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Lars Nelson's little girl fell on the ice last week and fractured her collar bone.

Look up our subscription offers, and arrange for your next year's reading at once.

The bursting of a steam pipe in the school room on Tuesday, gave a lot of the kids a holiday.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the A. W. Hansen office.

Fresh fish from the Ocean will arrive here Thursday afternoon.

H. PETERSEN.

Fifteen cents, (10 for the kids) shows you 200 famous paintings at the High School building Jan. 10-19.

Four teams wanted to haul logs by the day or by the thousand. A good winter's job. Good roads and good grub and good pay.

ISADORE YALLAD.

Everybody come and see the Turner Art Exhibit at the High School building, Jan. 10-19. It only costs 10 or 15 cents according to age.

To our advance paid subscribers we will send the New York Tribune Farmer for 50 cents. Regular price \$1.00 and worth five to any progressive farmer.

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Look over the list of lands for sale for delinquent taxes furnished in this issue, and be sure that none of your lands are included. They can be paid before sale and save trouble.

Methodist Protestant Church, Grayling, Mich., (south side) Pastor—R. H. Cunningham. Services as follows: Preaching 10 a. m. and 7 p. m., Sabbath School, 12 m., Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the above services.

Ladies, whose husbands subscribe for the AVALANCHE can get the NEW IDEAL MAGAZINE for 40 cents a year. It is the leader, for the work in the home, in fashion and style, and full instruction.

We are in receipt of a copy of the Yagana Book, (Ind.) Journal, announcing the death of Mrs. John C. Hanson who was a resident here for over fifteen years, while her husband was foreman of the AVALANCHE office at the hospital in Lafayette, Ind. the last inst. She was buried in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis, Thursday, Mrs. Hanson will be well remembered here as an earnest worker in the M. E. church, and with the W. R. C., until she became almost helpless from rheumatism.

WANTED—16 inch dry stove wood in car lots. Write price and kind of wood. LANSING FUEL CO., Lansing, Mich. Jan 10-20

At our next regular meeting Jan. 12th, Mr. Chalker will install the officers of the W. R. C. for the ensuing year. A general attendance is desired.

Messrs. Hanson, Michelson and Olson returned from their trip to Louisiana last week and report a most enjoyable respite from the cold weather here.

Mrs. Paul Lovely and her daughter, May, have returned to their home in New Toledo. They have been spending the holidays with her mother Mrs. Louis La Motte.

Installation of officers, Marvin Post, No. 240 G. A. R., next Saturday evening. All comrades expected.

DELEVAN SMITH, Commander.

Messrs. Hanson and Michelson are fitting up an office over the Company office, which is modern in every appointment and artistically furnished. It would do honor to any city.

H. P. Olson, Village Clerk reports that 55 births placed on file at his office during 1906, of which 21 were male and 34 female. Whole number of deaths reported are 21.

Maj. Nathan S. Boynton, father of the Macabee order and known all over the state, is seriously ill with rheumatism in his home in Port Huron. The attending physician has hopes of his recovery.

Clark's orchestra furnished the music for the Firemen's Dance at Wolverine last week. Monday evening, and for the K. P. Dance at Gaylord Tuesday evening. Both were largely attended and the fine music appreciated.

The American Express office in this village has been moved to the baggage room at the depot and will be in charge of L. H. Herrick, the R. N. Agent. It is not so convenient for most of our business men, but all will get used to it in time.

Cards are received here from Dayton, Ohio announcing the arrival there on Dec. 28th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Wetzel, nee Bessie Mettler, of a son who will bear the name of Palmer Mettler Wetzel. The many friends of Mrs. Wetzel extend congratulations.

George B. Horton, Master of Michigan State Grange has appointed Perry Osterlander district deputy for this district. Under the new regulations, this places supervision, organization and reorganization under his management and does away with committee work.

Lower is incorporated as a village by the Michigan board of supervisors last week. This is the result of a long and hard fought battle between a few of the mill owners and the progressive part of the population. Lower can now get a few needed improvements.

Get out dogs and guns. Two saloons were robbed here Sunday night, and one man on the street or in some other place. One arrest has been made. The total loss is about one hundred dollars besides the liquor and cigars taken. It is thought to be local work.

The report of the Prosecuting Attorney for the last six months shows 39 prosecutions, and 35 convictions. One hundred and fifteen dollars fines was collected besides the costs in the same cases and the total days imprisonment was 444 days for misdemeanors and one felony at Marquette from one to five years, with recommendation that the term be two years.

February 14 was the date fixed by the Republican state central committee for the judicial convention, which will be held in Grand Rapids. The convention will nominate two justices of the supreme court, two regents of the university, and a member of the state board of education. Atty. Gen. John E. Bird will be chairman and Will A. Waite secretary.

Hon. Arthur Hill believes that a suit to him by the famous old Grayling Indian, Shoppeneegons, chief of the Chippewas, will bring him luck in the senatorial fight. It is a fine red sandstone calumet, or peace pipe, which the old Indian has been at work on for several months, fashioning and decorating. "Heap fine," grunted "Shop," as he handed the pipe to Mr. Hill. "Tak um Wash'nton when you senator."

The bondsmen of the late treasurers, Frank G. Noble and Thos. G. Woodward, met the supervisors on Monday and a compromise was effected by which the bondsmen settled the deficit at ten cents on the dollar. This was certainly very satisfactory to all concerned and saved a good deal of expense had the matter been settled by litigation. Had the bondsmen been forced to pay in full it would have been a burden to a great many and the loss can be more easily sustained by the county than by individuals. M. J. Mail.

DIED—At his home at Copenhagen, Denmark, Dec. 11th, Lars Mortenson, aged 51 years. Lars Mortenson was a brother of Andrew Mortenson of Benavere Creek. He will be well remembered by most of the citizens of Grayling as he resided here from 1886 to 1900. From here he went to Flint, where he was until 1903, when he returned to Denmark. After staying there for a short time his health failed and the last few months suffered untold agonies from cancer of the liver. Besides his wife and brother Andrew, he leaves a brother and sister in Denmark to mourn his death.

Famous Turner Art Exhibit.

Commencing January 16 and continuing three days. There will be held at the High School an exhibition of pictures suitable for school room and home decoration. It is one of the finest gathered in this country. Pictures are finely mounted and hung and give an excellent opportunity to view works of art in our own town.

PRESS COMMENTS.

"There is history, poetry, nature, religion, and all that is lovely in life represented by the masters of old and modern times. All pictures of suffering have been excluded, even though it meant the rejection of Ruben's masterpiece, the 'Descent from the Cross.'—Detroit Journal.

The exhibition of art photographs which opened in City Hall this morning represents the finest thing in this line which has ever visited Springfield.—Springfield Union.

During the week about 25,000 citizens and school-children have been in attendance at the exhibition of pictures.

The entire fund received through the sale of tickets comes back into the schools in the purchase of pictures, and the philanthropic citizens could not better perpetuate their good will and interest in the education of the children than by helping this movement in schoolroom decoration, which is engaging the attention of many earnest people in other cities. Detroit Free Press.

\$100.00 Reward.

\$100.00 REWARD FOR THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF ANYONE CUTTING AND STRIPPING TIMBER FROM ANY OF OUR LANDS IN ROSCOMMON OR CRAWFORD COUNTIES, MICHIGAN. REPORT SAME TO CHARLES DEWALE, CO. AT TOWN OF ROSCOMMON OR MICHIGAN CENTRAL PARK COMPANY, 115 DEARBORN STREET, CHICAGO.

The total number of students at the University of Michigan last year was 4,371. 1,509 were in the literary department, 1,165 in the engineering, 902 in the law, and 309 in the medical departments. Of the total 2,517 are from Michigan. There are 62 students from foreign countries: 13 from Canada, 9 from Japan, 8 from Mexico, 10 from the Philippines, 5 from Porto Rico, and the rest scattering.

A meeting of the Men and Boys Association was held Monday evening at the G. A. R. Hall, with a fair attendance. President Hathaway gave a pleasant review of the work already accomplished, and a plan for future work. A constitution was adopted and the following permanent officers elected for the ensuing year: President, C. J. Hathaway; Vice President, A. B. Failing; Secretary, S. Phelps Jr.; Asst. Sec., Carl Mork; Treasurer, C. G. Abbott. The next meeting will be held at the same place, next Monday evening at 7:30.

The trial of Jay Ellis of Long Island, accused of charged with the killing of a man during the past hunting season, under the impression that he was a bear, has brought out a peculiar point. Ellis' lawyer claims his case does not come under the new law, which provides a penalty for one hunting who kills another in mistake. The contention is that he was not hunting, but knowing that bear were in the vicinity, he acted, supposedly in self-defense, against a possible attack by one of the animals.

Our community was greatly shocked on Tuesday by the sudden death of an estimable citizen, John Barth, aged 72 years. Although he had begun in declining health for several years, he had attended to his work, having charge of the railroad pumping station, and on that morning was feeling better than for some days. He was sitting on the sofa in conversation with his wife and enjoying a game of solitaire, when the shock came that ended his life in an instant, with no entry or struggle. The arrangements for the funeral are not complete as we go to press, but the services will be held on Sunday.

A large company assembled at the handsome home of Mr. N. Michelson, Monday evening to do honor to the home coming of his son, Mr. Olaf Michelson and bride, nee Miss Mollie Amin, both well known and popular young people. After a hearty greeting from the genial host, the guests united in showering upon the young couple a warm welcome, hearty, sincere congratulations and expressions of pleasure that they were to remain in our midst. Some of the denizens, in stepping up to congratulate the bride, tripped on the polished floor, (not purposely of course) thus assuring themselves that ere another twelve moons shall wane and wane, they too shall be happily wedded. The wedding presents displayed were numerous and beautiful, silver cut glass and china predominating. However, two modest checks appeared among the other gifts, bearing the name of the father of the groom, not so handsome in the face as "neighbor cut glass" but with "beautiful figures." Elegant refreshments were served, then all were pleasantly entertained with a musical program by the new Victor Phonograph after which the good night word was said. Another pleasant incident closed, another pleasant memory added to an already long list. The out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Kneeland of Lawton, Okla. and Mrs. P. L. Michelson and son, Lewis of Johannesburg, Mr. L. Jensen of Gaylord, Mr. Peterson of Toledo, and Mrs. Stevens of Bay City.

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Proceedings of the Common Council.

[OFFICIAL.]

Grayling, Jan. 7, 1907.

Regular meeting of the Common Council convened at the Court House, J. P. Hanson, President in the chair.

Present: Trustees Common, Peterson, Anderson, and McCullough. Absent: Michelson and Fournier. Meeting called to order by the President.

Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

Moved and supported, that the report of the Finance Committee be accepted and orders drawn for the several amounts. Motion carried.

REPORT.

To the Hon. President and members of Common Council of the village of Grayling.

Yours Committee on Claims and Accounts, would recommend, that the following bills be allowed, as follows:

N. M. C. R. freight \$ 2.62 \$ 2.62

Walter Hanson & Co. 250.00 250.00

A. S. H. & Co. dress, 1.48 1.48

H. D. Edwards & Co. 2.03 2.03

Fire supplies 185.34 185.34

P. P. Young's pipe 0.40 0.40

A. Kraus supplies 1.48 1.48

H. P. Olson express .75 .75

McKinnon Mfg. Co. 9.00 9.00

W. P. Bank, day .50 .50

N. P. Olson use of wt. .75 .75

C. P. Robinson labor 2.63 2.63

Gray. Elec. Co., lites .50 .50

[Signed] R. D. CONNINE, C. O. McCULLOUGH, H. PETERSON, Finance Committee.

Moved and supported, that the bill of Grayling Dental Company, of \$6.75 for work furnished Jesse Billings, by order of the Health Officer, be O. K. and the clerk be instructed to present the same to the Board of Supervisors. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the bill of John S. Harrington, be referred back for correction. Motion carried.

Moved and supported, that the communication from A. P. W. Becker, be received and placed on file. Motion carried.

On motion the Council adjourned. H. P. OLSON, Village Clerk.

The Grange.

At the meeting held last Saturday all of the new officers were installed with one exception (owing to sickness) Bro. B. F. Sherman, the installing officer, accomplished the work in a very satisfactory manner. Owing to the election and installation there was no program for the lecture hour.

Bro. Henry Camp, of South Branch, gave us a very interesting talk on our schools and the distribution of the primary money which set the ball in motion and a lively discussion followed, which promised to be prolonged indefinitely, had it not been made a special subject for the next meeting.

The lecturer announced that this will be followed by the good road question and all who are interested in any subject, whether members or not, are invited to attend and take part, as all lecture hours are open to all at 1:30 p. m. The secretary reported all members in good standing at the beginning of the year, over 50 per cent being present at the meeting.

The following resolution was presented and unanimously passed: WHEREAS, the Crawford County Farmers' Institute Society, at their business meeting held recently, saw fit in their judgement, to select all of their officers for the coming year, from the members of the Grange.

Therefore be it

Resolved, that we appreciate the honor, and as an order, will do all in our power to assist our brothers as honored in making the next Farmers' Institute a success.

Presbyterian Church.

Sabbath, Jan. 13th.

10.30 a. m. Preaching. Subject—"Parents Responsibility."

The pastor will preach a five-minute sermon every Sunday Morning to the children.

11.30 a. m. Sabbath School.

6 p. m. C. B. Meeting. Topic—"How Gods Image is preserved in us, or Lost." (Temperance Topic). Mrs. Tillie Sparks is the leader.

7 p. m. Preaching. Subject—"Value of Tract Distribution."

All are cordially invited to attend these meetings.

4th Grand Annual

Clearing Sale!

A mighty clearance of surplus stocks. A sale of extraordinary interest. A wind-up of countless lines, in many cases at half the original prices.

Every department comes in for its share of good things. Values that will not be duplicated if you wait until February.

Prior to inventory it is custom with us to close all heavy weight goods at prices lower than cost of material, rather than carry them over. This year is no exception. We have a larger stock than usual, and it is our aim to reduce the same. If prices can be object to you, we think we have solved the question.

It is a clean sweep—we prefer counting money to merchandise.

Special Prices on Men's Suits

We have divided our stock of Men's Suits into three lots—\$6.00 Every one a good clean bargain. \$10.00 and \$12.50 Suits for \$8.00. A chance for the man who needs an every day business or dress suit.

\$15.00 Suits for \$12.50 all styles, blues, blacks, or fancies.

Ladies' Coats

We can't describe the many styles but if you need a coat you will buy without arguing. \$5.00 and \$8.00 coats for \$5.00. \$10.00 and \$12.00 coats for \$7.50. \$15.00 coats for \$10.00.

\$18.00 and \$20.00 coats for \$13.50. Childrens Coats at like reductions. General clean-up of Ladies' Skirts.

Men's Overcoats

Is the same story—we want the money and you need the coat. All \$18 and \$20 coats at \$15.00. All \$15 and \$16.50 coats at \$12.00. All \$12.50 and \$10 coats at \$8.50.

A few fine heavy overcoats with fine collars and buttons. Men's Genuine Club bear driving coats worth \$25 at \$18.00. The same reasons apply to our Boys' Suits and overcoats. They are all marked down.

Blankets and Comforters

A fine chance for housekeepers who need an extra pair or two of blankets to buy at a saving. Price heavily reduced.

Ladies' waists

All kinds and styles, specially selected for our clearing sale.

Ladies' Underwear

1 lot of Zero Reeced underwear regular size to close at 25c. Reeced underwear to close at 20c.

Prices reduced on all Union or two piece garments.

Opting Flannels, Flannelettes, Dress Goods, all at clearing sale prices.

Felt slippers and shoes at 4c off.

Pascinator, Silk Shawls, Hosiery, Underwear, all at clearing sale prices.

These are cash sale prices. Full prices for charged goods.

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For School Books, Tablets, Slates, Pens, Pencils, School Bags, Inks, etc., etc., including every thing in the line of School Supplies. We carry the finest line of tablets ever brought to Grayling.

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DANGER!

Do Not Neglect Your Eyes

NOW, after the Xmas rush, spend a few moments in finding out the condition of your eyes. Bring in the Children. It is IMPORTANT that their eyes be properly looked after by some one competent who can at any time examine and make any and all changes necessary in glasses when prescribed.

Do not endanger not only their sight but their health as well by allowing someone not qualified to experiment on them. It costs you nothing to find out. Remember we guarantee a fit.

All Xmas goods still on hand at reduced prices. A large stock of jewelry to select from at all times.

Watch and jewelry repairing promptly and properly done.

C. J. HATHAWAY,

Graduate Optician, Watchmaker and Jeweler.

Buy the Harrison Wagon.

The Best on Wheels.

For Sale and fully warranted by O. Palmer.

WHEN NO. 270 RAN AWAY

"The 270 was sure the village cutup of those class B engines," said the father of the little boy who had been riding on the 270. "I was runnin' extra at the time, not havin' been assigned to a regular engine yet. Men Morris was the regular on the 270, but I always contended that he was too easy with her. Engines are just like horses, you've got to let 'em know who's master."

One night Men Morris was taken sick, and I was called to take his run out. We were hardly started through the freight yards before she started up her tail. I just talked to her like a Dutch uncle. "Now, look here, you old scally was, I says, 'you're dealin' with a spring chicken this time. You just get down to business or I'll pound the life out of you.'"

"An' suttin' the action to the world, I dropped her down in the corner 'n' put it to her for all I was worth. However, she didn't do any extra work 'n' lagged 'n' hung back all the way."

"Well, I says to myself, 'when we get down Pine Hill I'll just keep the throttle open while 'n' make her go. The weight of this train behind us will make her work up a bit.'"

"Accordingly, when we went over the pitch at the top of Pine Hill I just left her wide open 'n' kept the steam on full head till we were half down by Capers' Crossin'. Then I thought I'd better shut off as the 270 would get a pretty lively climb down the hill now 'n' I had no hankerin' for going down the bank owing to exceedin' the speed limit on the grade."

"So I shoved the throttle in to shut off the steam. Imagine how I felt when the 270 kept right on exhaustin' just as if the speed was all to her likin'."

"Somethin' had gone wrong in her steamboiler somewhere inside, 'n' the valve didn't shut her off. So the 270 had taken the bit in her teeth 'n' was goin' to see how I liked ridin' fast."

"There was a pretty predicament. My engine goin' down Pine Hill under a full head of steam with a heavy freight train behind her. It wouldn't have been any bit if I had not known that the 270 was only about five minutes ahead of me with a train of coal limos."

"I attempted to put the reverse lever in the back motion, but the steam was on such a full head that I couldn't budge the thing. Then I gave the high sign on my whistle several times to let the 270 know I was comin' down the hill out of control."

"It would be wise for him to shake a leg or he'd get spicificated. "In an almost incredible time, we swung around by the Gate station 'n' what I saw ahead made me will like a fat man's collar on a hot day. Not more than a quarter of a mile ahead of us was the 270, train. Maybe that little caboose of his didn't look as big as a summer boardin' house."

"Hasn't he heard my warnin' whistle 'n' was doin' his best. He was gainin' headway, but he wasn't in our class. I could figure out that we would just about meet up with his caboose around the ten degree curve below the Gate."

"Ras' train was now goin' at a terrific speed, too. 'n' it was a question whether either train would keep the rails good 'n' round the sharp curve. I could almost reach the tail lights on that caboose ahead. In a second I thought we would be into them. 'n' I would be rollin' down the embankment amidst the wreckage of twisted iron coal 'n' miscellaneous freight."

"Then came an awful crash 'n' I thought I could feel my engine goin' down the bank. But my engine kept goin' 'n' I could tell by the lurchin' that she was takin' the curve all right 'n' true."

"I opened my eyes. The red lights of the caboose had disappeared. In the curve below me I could hear a crashin' 'n' rollin' sound 'n' see dark shapes tumblin' down."

"I realized what had happened. The excessive speed at which the train ahead had taken the curve caused the last 15 or 20 coal limos to jump the track clean, takin' the caboose with them, just like a string of boys playin' snap and whip. Thus when we straightened out on the curve Ras' train, by joshn those 15 cars, had left that much space between the 'n' death."

"The train ahead was movin' at equal speed with me now 'n' would probably keep the 15 cars distance between us. Under her full head of steam my engine was leavin' no boundin' over the rails 'n' when she settled back on an extra severe jolt she stopped exhaustin'."

"The terrific jolt had shaken the valve back on its seat again 'n' shut off the flow of steam. My heart resumed its normal beatin', as we were 'most down the hill now, 'n' I soon had her under control."

"They pulled 270 in the shops after that run, 'n' she never came out again 'n' was laid up unless they changed her number."

"The Monkey Dinner Set. "Madam," said the physician, and ly, "it is useless to disassemble longer. Your little son will grow up a hopeless idiot."

"Oh, well," said the fair young mother, "no one will ever know." And she smiled easily.

For she was a Yan Trillion, and the afflicted boy was destined to occupy to time a commanding place in the social life of New York and Newport.

TALE OF A BIG CATCH

They were telling fish stories and several accounts of remarkable catches had been given, when Capt. Kenny of the auxiliary sloop Jennie R. spoke up. The Jennie R. is a small little vessel that takes out fishing parties, and these parties are mostly made up of devoted fishermen who know what kind of fish are running at various seasons and what sort of tackle to bring along with them. But once in a while a freak fisherman with a freak tackle turns up at the pier and goes along too.

"Talkin' about big catches," said Capt. Kenny, when he spoke up, "the biggest catch I ever saw made on a single line was 57 ling and a skate. It was on a Thanksgiving day, two or three years ago."

"We started out about eight o'clock in the morning with some 90 fishermen aboard, most of whom had been with me often and knew how to catch fish. It was but little past low water and in going out we struck the bar."

"While we were getting off there was a commotion on the boat and a skipper out with a man in it who was waving his hands excitedly and shouting for me to wait. He got aboard, all right, for it took us 15 minutes or so to get across the bar."

"While we were going down to the bell buoy, the fishermen overhauled their tackle and baited up. The stranger who had come out in the skiff also got out his tackle. You should have seen it."

"With a fathom of chain for a lead, it would have been just the thing to catch sharks with. The line was a small hawser, and the hook would have anchored the sloop in a blow."

"Well, we came to down by the bell buoy and before the boat had tumbled out on her chain with the tide the fishermen were pulling in lines. 'The bay was alive with them.'"

"It was east and haul in all the time for everybody, but our friend who had come aboard in the skiff. He had taken for himself a place in the middle of the others, baited his hook and solemnly lowered it overboard; but he wasn't getting a bite."

"When it was getting to be time for us to get up anchor and start for home because the fishermen had more fish than they could carry, the stranger got busy. Something was on his hook."

"His line tore through the water back and forth from stem to stern of the sloop. It described circles along the side of the boat and zigzagged here and there. The lines of the fishermen were wound up in a skiff and some of them were snarled from the rods."

"The stranger fisherman braced himself and the others began to cut their lines to save their rods and reels. The water fairly boiled."

"At length two or three fishermen went to the aid of the stranger and helped him to bring up his line with a steady pull. The catch was landed on deck."

"In the midst of it was a skate as big as the top of a coal stove, and twisted about the line that held him were all the other lines that he had entangled while skating through the water."

"On the way up from the bell buoy the fishermen untangled some of their lines, but most of them had to be cut. Every line had a ling on it, and every line was tangled up with the line that caught the skate and the total number of fish hauled up on that one line was 57 ling and a skate—and I can prove it."

"The stranger said that his name was Baxter, and he wasn't very used to fishing. He was so gratified over his big catch that he offered to pay for all the damage his skate had done. 'The fishermen good-naturedly refused to be compensated, and insisted that he should take the fifty-seven ling and the skate home. He left the skate and the last I saw of him he was going to Harvey's saw with the ling on his back to a woman's bag. No, he never came back.'"

"Ranchman's Curious Lariat. "I've a lariat home that is one of the most curious pieces of rope you ever saw," said A. B. Tucker, of Oakton City. "It is made of a combination of buffalo, horse, Indian woman and white woman hair. I don't believe there's another like it in the state."

"There was a little old man who had a rope walk up our way and he was a curio seeker. He spent several years getting material for his rope. It is now and a little then—but finally he landed it. The hardest thing of all was the Indian woman's hair, for although they have plenty and to spare, their customs make it difficult to arrange for even a lock. I got the lariat for a sum that is large for a rope, but small when you consider its other value. I've roped many a steer with it since."

"God and the Scientist. "I have been a botanist for 54 years," said the scientist. "When I was a boy I believed implicitly in God. I prayed to him, having a vision of him—a person—before my eyes. As I grew older I concluded that there was no God. I dismissed him from the universe. I believed only in what I could see, or hear, or feel. I talked about Nature and reality."

"He paused, the smile still lighting his face, evidently recalling to himself the old days. I did not interrupt him. Finally he turned to me and said abruptly: "And now it seems to me—there is nothing but God."—American Magazine.

RECORDING THE GREAT EVENT

Wedding Books a Great Source of Interest and Pleasure.

Wedding books are by no means a new idea, but bought ones are expensive and lacking in individuality. The woman who is clever with her fingers and brain can make one for the friend who is about to become a bride, which is bound to be a great source of interest and pleasure.

If she is good at making pen-and-ink sketches she wants nothing better for her purpose than water-color paper, the block sheets for her pages and the more elaborate single sheets for her cover.

Each page is supposed to be set apart for some special record of a happening on that wedding day and should have its appropriate inscription in old English lettering and an accompanying sketch at the top.

There must be a space for a bit of the bride's gown, a leaf for the spray from the bouquet she wants to keep, pages for newspaper clippings chronicling the great event, pages for the in-coming that some member of the bridal party feels should not be forgotten. Guests may write their names and their special wishes for the happiness of the newly wedded pair, and the passing of the young adds greater interest to the history herein recorded.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS. Though baking powder can be bought so cheap, many housewives like to make their own, so here is a good recipe: Mix together 1 lb. free from lumps a quarter of a pound each of carbonate of soda, cream of tartar and ground rice. Keep in airtight tin.

Cheese should never be left uncovered. The way of keeping it is to wrap it in a damp—not wet—cloth or towel.

Cheese that has become dry can be pounded on a plate with a knife—or, better still, in a wooden bowl with the end of the rolling pin—and a small piece of butter. When mixed it can be used, seasoned with pepper, for sandwiches, and the remainder, well pressed down, stored in a covered jar.

It can also be grated and used for cheese dishes.

Jam is better for home-made tarts. If spread on when the paste is warm or quite cold. If baked on the tart, the paste underneath is likely to become sodden and heavy.

FOR THE HYACINTH LOVER. How Beautiful Plant May Be Raised to Perfection.

Nothing is easier to grow than the early flowering hyacinth. Italian and Dutch varieties are the best. They are planted in pots, about 3 inches below the surface. The pots must then be sunk in deep boxes containing three inches of ash or equivalent material. Cover the box with sheets of glass and keep them indoors.

Your plants will need no water till they show signs of green growth. Immediately the first growth appears, remove the plants and leave them in a sunless room for two days, then place them close to a window, where they can get light and air.

To prevent flowers growing unevenly turn them round daily. Before long you will be rewarded with fine, evenly grown blossoms.

Hash a la Hanna. Corned beef hash, as made by the late Senator Hanna's cook, was very popular in Washington several years ago. When the head waiter of the senate restaurant wanted hash prepared very carefully, he ordered it this way: "One corned beef hash for Senator Hanna." One day when the restaurant was doing a heavy business almost everybody seemed to want corned beef hash. "Corned beef hash for Senator Hanna" had been ordered 14 times. When the next order went down to the kitchen the chef shouted, "That's 15 orders for Senator Hanna. He's better watch out or he'll founder himself."

This Is Good for Luncheon. To use corn lamb, ham or beef, mince it fine with half the quantity of ham and quarter as much bread crumbs. Season with a small onion (if not objectionable), salt and pepper. Mix this with an egg and any gravy that may have been left from the roast. Put in a baking pan, cover with bread crumbs, and bake for half an hour. This is a good dish for luncheon.

Cure for Chapped Hands. The following paste will make the roughest hands smooth if constantly used: Mix one-quarter pound of unsalted lard, after clarifying and stirring in rose-water, with the yolks of two eggs and a large spoonful of honey. Add as much paste of almonds, well pounded in a mortar, as will work this compound into a paste.

To Keep Toothbrushes Clean. After each using wash them out thoroughly with clear cold water, then rinse them through a solution of 5 percent boracic acid and hang in the air and sunshine with the bristles up, so the water will run down the handle and not stay around the bristles to make them soggy and to cause an unpleasant odor.

Cleaning Wooden Utensils. Wooden spoons and chopping boards should be well scrubbed with Bath brick or sand in preference to soap. This treatment will effectively whiten the wood and make it smooth and glossy. If the surface has been stained with grease it should be washed with hot soda-water before it is scrubbed with sand.

FOR THE IDEAL PIE

TOOTH-SOME DELICACY THAT IS BELOVED BY ALL.

Requisites for Success Are Simple, But They Must Be Carefully Remembered—Knack of the Thing Is What Counts.

The pie belt is not restricted to New England alone. Ask the miner "bucking it," in his lonely camp in the Rockies or Sierras, the soldier and sailor boys in distant posts or alien waters, the storm-stayed traveler, 20 miles from a lemon or anything else eatable, what they want most for their dinner, and ten chances to one a pie piece of mother's home-made pie heads the list of mouth-watering possibilities.

But there are pies and pies, ranging from gaudy peach creams with vanilla, tasteless custards, to a delicate, flaky, melt-in-your-mouth pie exterior, clasping in tender embrace ambrosia.

Why are you sour? The ambrosia are born, but they can also be made.

The first requisite is brains, then it is a quick touch and judgment in seasoning. In the preparation of the ideal pie no art array of implements is required. Glass and marble boards are all right, but just as excellent results may be achieved with a fine hardwood mending board, a flick can be dropped with flour or even a clean, smooth sheet of mottled paper spread smoothly on an ordinary kitchen table.

So also with the rolling pin. It is the touch and knack of handling that count—whether the pin be of glass, hardwood or a tin, smooth-bottle.

For the shortening half butter from which the buttermilk has been well worked out and lard that has been melted and tried out in the old-fashioned way, instead of being pressed, is considered best, though clarified drippings of beef, chicken, or pork can all be utilized.

In making the main, every-day crust, allow for each pie one cup sifted flour (sifted), a scant half-cup shortening, a saltspoonful each salt and baking powder and cold water to mix stiff. Measure lard and butter and set in a bowl to melt and blend. Mix flour and baking powder, then cut in the lard, mix with cold water to a stiff dough, toss on the flour board and pat down to about half an inch in thickness.

Roll out the butter on the paste to the size of the pie and then divide lightly with flour, roll over and over, turn half round; pat out and roll again. Then roll over and over like a thin roll and divide in the middle. Place each piece over on ends so that the rims of pastry are on top, and if there is time set in the ice chest until hard and chilled. Roll to fit the plate with an inch to spare, as paste shrinks when baked from the board.

Fold the crust over, lift up quickly and by the handle. Press down in the center so there need be no air bubbles, and let the edge of the crust come just to the edge of the plate.

Brush the rim with cold water, and if the pie is a fruit or very juicy compound, the white of an egg brushed over the under crust will prevent seeping. Pat out some of the paste into a shallow dish half inch in width and place on the edge. Add the filling and set the rim again before putting on the upper crust, which should be a little larger than the pie and have a cut in the center to allow for the escape of steam. Press closely but lightly together and push the two crusts away from the edge of the plate, which gives them a chance to expand.

Success in Ironing Shirts. Any of the following named substances when put into boiled starch will help to make the garment iron smoothly and take a gloss. Borax, sugar, salt, wax, lard, turpentine, spermaceti. The shirt front is starched with hot boiled starch in which there has been mixed one or more of the above ingredients. It is dried, and then dipped in thin, raw starch. After a few hours it is ironed. A thin piece of muslin is placed between the starched surface and the iron. After the shirt front has been ironed smooth it is rubbed with a damp cloth, and then polished with an iron specially made for this purpose. There must be a great deal of pressure used on the polishing iron, and practice is required to do this work well. Place a hard, smooth board under the shirt front when polishing. Many men object to the highly-polished surface, preferring the dull one.

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